

The State Water Project

The State Water Project is a water conveyance system that includes 29 storage facilities, 18 pumping plants, four pumping-generating plants, five hydroelectric power plants and approximately 660 miles of canals and pipelines.

Surplus water from the Feather River watershed and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is captured and conveyed to areas of need in the San Francisco Bay area, the San Joaquin Valley, and Southern California, and soon the Central Coast. The Project was planned and built with water storage and distribution as its principal purpose. It provides water for agriculture, cities and industry. Other significant project purposes include flood control, energy generation, recreation, and fish and wildlife enhancement.



Fishing away from the aqueduct's concrete sides.



One of the 16 designated fishing access sites along the aqueduct.

Fishing Along The SWP

The State Water Project provides the angler with extremely varied opportunities for year-round fishing. You are welcome to fish nearly anywhere on project reservoirs or at 16 special designated fishing access sites along the California Aqueduct's 400 miles of open canals. Each site provides parking, and some sites have toilets.

Depending on the area, you can catch many different kinds of fish—from rainbow trout at Frenchman, Davis, Oroville, and Castaic lakes to striped bass and catfish in the California Aqueduct.

Remember that Department of Fish and Game fishing regulations apply throughout the State Water Project. Obey the regulations for the area you are in. You can obtain a copy of the regulations where you buy your fishing license.

California Department of Water Resources' Mission...

To manage the water of California, in cooperation with other agencies, to benefit the state's people and protect, restore and enhance the natural and human environments.

Fishing Along The State Water Project



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# Aqueduct Fishing Safety

Fishing along the California Aqueduct presents certain safety hazards which do not apply to reservoir fishing.

Be aware of aqueduct water, it can appear still one minute and be moving rapidly the next, depending on the amount of flow in the aqueduct. Be aware that the water is moving! This movement can cause suction spots, especially around the gate structures.



The safety ladder.

Watch out for slippery sides. Stay off the aqueduct's concrete sides, which are steep and very slippery with sand, dirt and algae. You can lose your footing and fall into the water. Keep alert for children and pets around these areas.



California Aqueduct water is moving constantly.

Locate the safety ladders. Without help, it is almost impossible to climb out of the water, except by using the safety ladders spaced 500 feet apart on alternate sides of the aqueduct or by using safety lines near aqueduct structures such as gates and bridges. Look for these ladders and safety lines before you fish, and fish upstream of them.



The safety line.

Don't fish from aqueduct structures or bridges. For your safety, fish at one of the 16 access sites. For directions to the sites, see map included. And don't build fires along the aqueduct.

## More Fishing Safety Tips:

- Never fish alone.
- Observe all hazard warnings.
- Bring a life preserver or jacket. Children should wear life preservers at all times.
- Don't climb over or around fences, or trespass on posted areas.
- Watch out for poisonous snakes.

HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THESE SAFETY TIPS - YOU COULD SAVE A LIFE! Information about the State Water Project or other Department of Water Resources programs may be obtained by writing to the Department at:

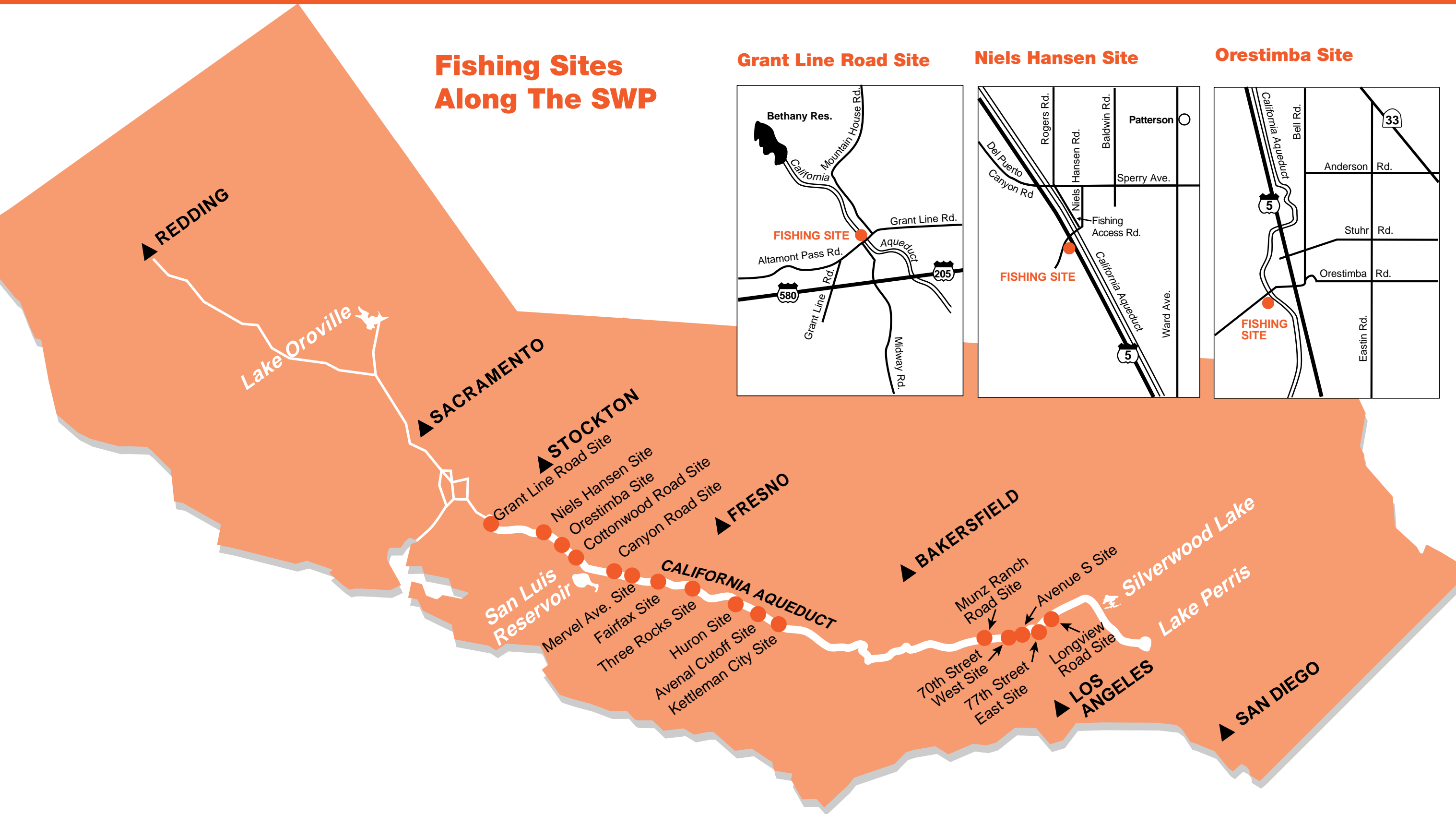
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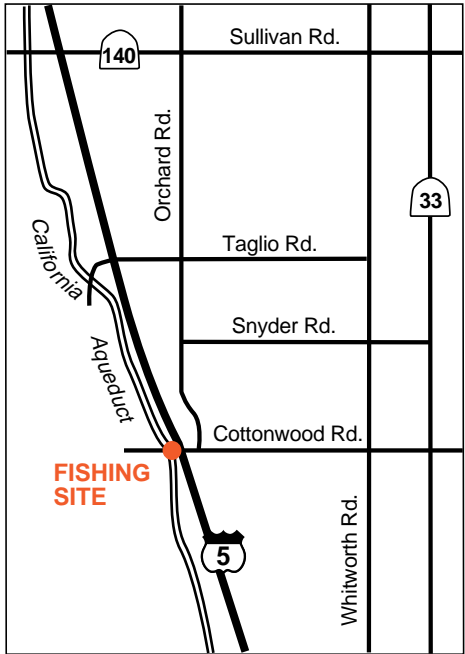
Fishing on the aqueduct.



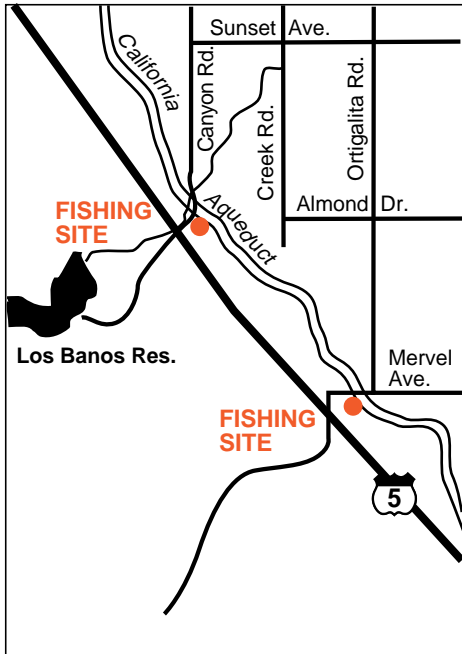
# Fishing Sites Along The SWP



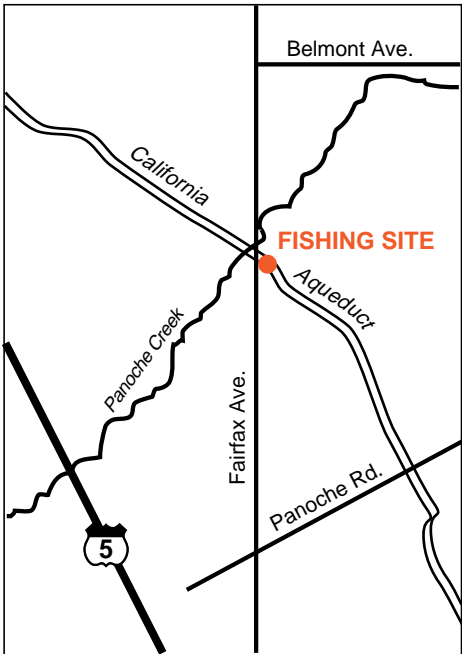
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Canyon Road & Mervel Avenue Sites



Fairfax Site



Three Rocks Site



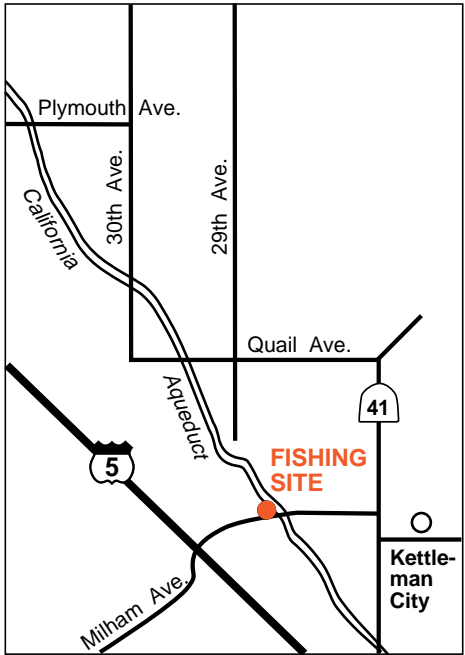
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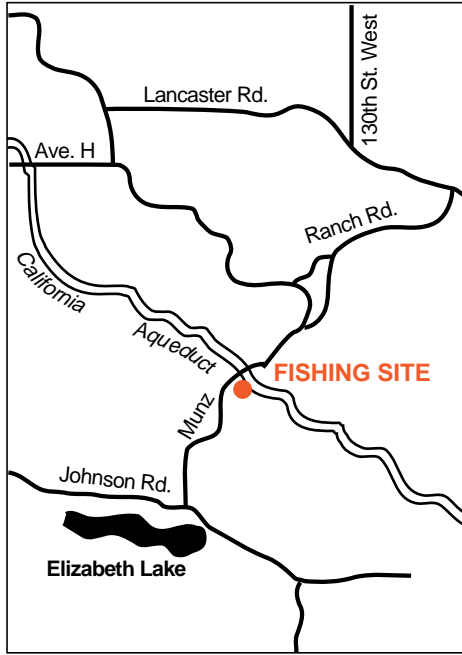
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Kettleman City Site



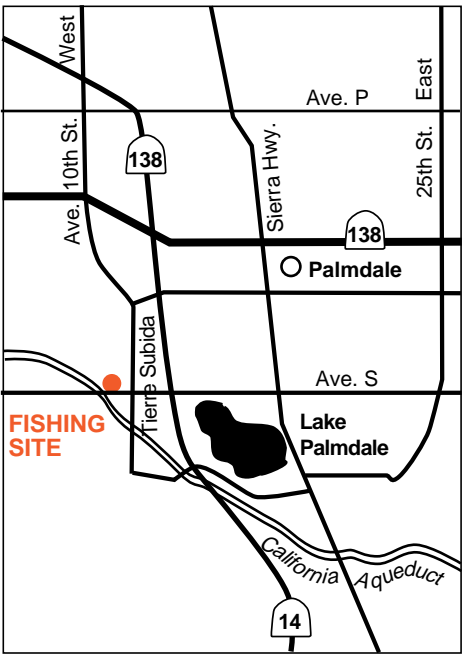
Munz Ranch Road Site



70th Street West Site



Avenue S Site



77th Street East Site



Longview Road Site

